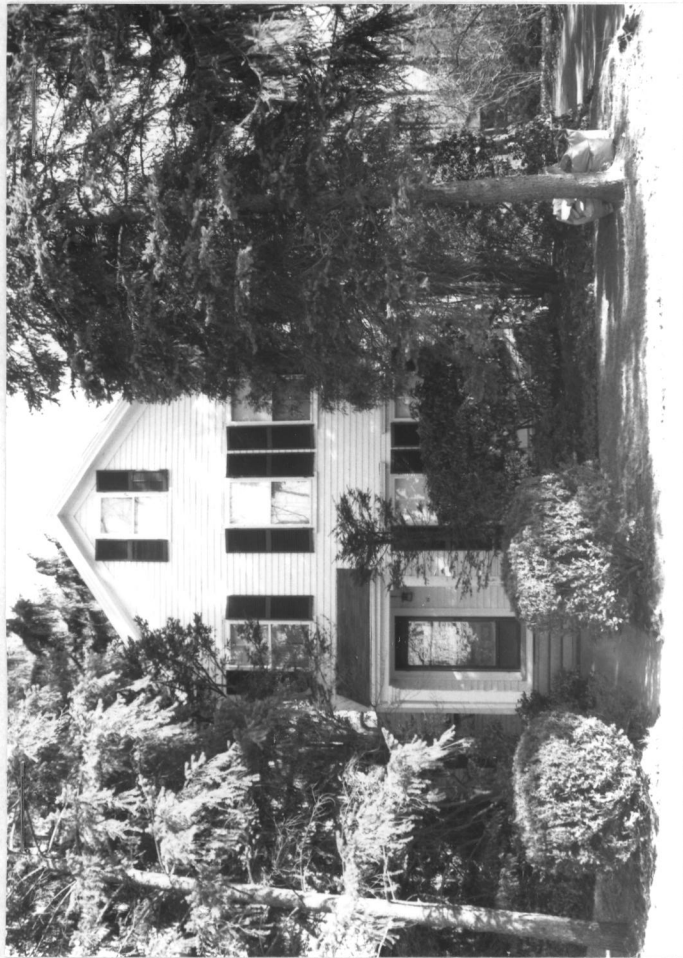


## FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125



Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

0064000148

Boston N.

754, 755

Town Lexington

Place (neighborhood or village)

Address 11 Revere St.

Historic Name Benjamin Gleason House

Uses: Present Residential

Original Residential

Date of Construction 1873–1874

Source Lexington Valuation lists

Style/Form Italianate

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation Fieldstone

Wall/Trim Wood Clapboard

Roof Asphalt Shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures Barn/garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

Side addition (date unknown)

Condition Good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 0.9 A.

Setting Almost obscured from street by large fir trees; in a neighborhood 19th-century houses

Recorded by Nancy S. Seasholes

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date (month / year) April 1998

## BUILDING FORM

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

11 Revere St. (MHC #754) is one of a number of front-gabled Italianate farmhouses in Lexington but is distinguished by the fact that it still has its associated barn (MHC #755). The house is rectangular with a rear ell, 2½ stories, three-by-three bays, and front gabled with an exterior chimney on the southwest elevation of the main block. The two-by-two bay two-story rear ell has an end ridge chimney. The house is set on a fieldstone foundation, clad with wood clapboards, and roofed with asphalt shingles. A shed-roofed one-story one-by-three bay addition on a concrete block foundation is located on the northeast elevation. The main entry is on the facade, a secondary entry with a porch on the southwest elevation, and the windows are 2/2 double hung sash, those on the first floor longer and with projecting cornices. The 1½-story barn is now a side-gabled two-car garage.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

Lexington assessors' records indicate that this house was built in 1873–1874 by Benjamin Gleason, for Gleason had bought the land on which it stands in February 1873 without any buildings on it, was assessed later that year for an unfinished house on the lot, and in 1874 for the completed house. It is not clear whether or not this was the same person as the Benjamin F. Gleason who in 1851 had built the house now at 23 Revere St. (MHC #760). In any event, this Benjamin Gleason sold the 11 Revere St. house in 1881 to a Samuel Holloway, who is described in the 1887 *Directory* as a picture frame manufacturer and in later *Directory*'s as a gilder who worked in Boston, and Holloway owned the house into the 20th century.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

☐ *see continuation sheet*

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

# INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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